



THURSDAY MARCH 7

John Krubki wrote the recently published book "Cracking the America Code; A Plan for Getting US Back on Track." This book began as a marketing exercise to better understand why people make the decisions they make and how they value what they value. It ended up as a fresh take on what makes America America and Americans, Americans. It is an excellent new platform for communicating with, persuading, and motivating Americans on their terms.

THURSDAY MARCH 14

Jay Dirnberger will present "The Rise of the Drones," a documentary on the history and future of unmanned aerial warfare. Jay served as a helicopter pilot in Vietnam and was witness to what was likely the first use of an unmanned aircraft in combat. This subject has many dimensions and is an important issue in our present national dialog.

THURSDAY MARCH 21

Juan Negroni has been since 1996 a consultant, coach and facilitator/speaker. Juan has helped Fortune 500 companies enhance employee commitment by assessing workplace practices, behaviors and policies for performance barriers and helping implement intervention measures. Organizations he has serviced include American Airlines, HBO, Marriott, Xerox, MasterCard, and UPS. Currently he is working with one of the "Big Four" accounting firms on implementing a companywide ethics program.

THURSDAY MARCH 28

Former Congressman **Bob Steele** will discuss the background to his new novel, "The Curse: Big-Time Gambling's Seduction of a Small New England Town." The story is set against the explosion of casino gambling in Connecticut during the 1990s, when two Indian tribes emerged to build the world's two biggest casinos in the southeastern corner of the state. A graduate of Amherst and Columbia, he served in the CIA prior to Congress and was a candidate for governor of Connecticut.

FUTURE MEETINGS

April 4 Chris Murphy, *U.S. Senator*
April 11 Jim Francek, *TAVA Full Circle*
April 18 To Be Announced
April 25 Howard Saffan, President,
the Bridgeport Sound Tigers

IN MEMORIAM

John Booth
Albert Copersino
George Deeken
Dwight Fanton
James A. Hoey
David F. Kidney
Tom Marshall
Richard Pauker

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Y'S MEN'S ANNUAL SPRING FLING COCKTAIL PARTY

New Spring Fling will take place on April 2, 2013 at the Unitarian Church from 4:30 to 7:30PM. The party will be catered with an open bar serving wine and soft drinks. Bring your wife, partner or friends. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Entertainment will be supplied by the Hoot Owls and D.J.'s Jeff H. and Peter S. Signups start at the March 7th meeting. BRING YOUR CHECKS!

BILL MEYER TRIBUTE

Westport Tribute to Bill Meyer Sunday March 10, 2013 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm Christ and Holy Trinity Church, Branson Hall. \$25 per person, \$50 per couple, tax deductible with net proceeds going to Bill's favorite charity via Rotary Charitable Trust - Additional contributions will be graciously accepted. Refreshments: Hors d'oeuvres, hot and cold and drinks. Entertainment: A work in progress with Y's Men leading the way!

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet on Thursday March 21st at 1:30 in the Board Room at the Family Y. The book to be discussed is "Over the Edge of the World" by Laurence Bergreen.

COLLECTORS CLUB

Many thanks to **Jon Fox** for leading two tours of the Southeast Asia artifacts in his home. Our next regular meeting will be Tuesday, March 26th, at 10 AM at the Senior Center. Please come with an interesting item to discuss or just to listen to the stories. Contact **Rick Towers** (227-6530) with any questions.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

RSVP needs more drivers. To volunteer please email **Nancy Pratt** at npratt@neoncaa.org or you can email **Pete Powell** at petepowell@yahoo.com. Each month RSVP provides more than 55 rides to people from Westport and Weston who need help getting to a medical appointment. Nancy will ask you when you're available and only schedule you when you wish to volunteer. You will be given the opportunity to decline a trip. Email Pete if you'd like to talk with a Y's Men who is currently volunteering. There is no charge to the people you drive. It is an important resource to those in our communities who cannot drive. I hope you'll volunteer – **Pete Powell**.

TRAVEL & EVENTS

Wednesday March 6 – Y's Men/Long Wharf theatre group: "The Curse of the Starving Class" 1PM: Behind the Scenes at Long Wharf Main Stage 2PM: Play 4:30PM: Audience participation; talk back with an expert. 5PM dinner at Brazzi's, \$35 all inclusive.

The Trips & Events Committee under leadership of **John Skinner** has been busy arranging events for the club. Following are highlights of some of the upcoming events. Please visit the T&E tab on the club website for a complete listing. These include a) those organized by the T&E Committee as well as b) those offered by outside venues which offer special prices for Y's Men or seniors discounts. Spouses, significant others and friends are always welcome to our events.

Tuesday, March 12th – NY Historical Society Exhibit of NYC's Involvement in WW2. This visit will feature the NYC-area companies whose production aided the war effort. The NY Historical Society is at 170 Central Park West between 76th and 77th, (212) 873-3400 – www.nyhistory.org. The tour will be after lunch. It will be self-guided although one is free to engage a tour guide if desired. Everyone is responsible for one's own transportation; some may want to train and cab, some train and subway or walk. We will suggest a couple of restaurants where we may meet for lunch beforehand. YM members can coordinate car-pooling to train, cab sharing etc. and we will pass a sign-up sheet at meetings so that we may coordinate with one another. Or you can sign-up by emailing **Bill Blaufuss** at prosit67@gmail.com.

Tuesday, March 19th 6 pm – Y's Men dinner at Valencia in Norwalk (164 Main Street, Norwalk). This event is billed as a "Pig Roast" however options of chicken or fish are available. Menu includes Black Beans, Rice, Plantains, Bonita Salad (Mescaline, Hearts of Palm, Cucumber, Red Pepper, Mango, Avocado), roasted Mixed Vegetables, Dessert, Coffee or Tea all for \$40 per person, tax and tip included. Any other beverages are additional. Event Leader — **Al Landis**. As this date is nigh, we are asking for payment at this time.

Sunday, April 7th 5 pm – "The Music of Elton John and Billy Joel" at Bridgeport Downtown Cabaret. Places are limited and we may have to 'wait list' soon. Price is \$31. Please sign up at T&E desk or contact **Jeff Hare**, event leader.

May 5-7 – Gettysburg Trip. Call **Jon Fox** for details.



MEETING SCHEDULE

Mar 7 John Krubski
Mar 14 Jay Dirnberger
Mar 21 Juan Negroni
Mar 28 Bob Steele

Editor—Steve Raffel
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